

REMARKS

This Amendment with RCE is being filed in lieu of an Appeal Brief.

Claim 22, which has been indicated to be allowable over the art, has been rewritten in independent form, and independent claim 1 has been cancelled. The several claims dependent on claim 1 have been amended to depend on claim 22.

The several non-elected claims 24-33 and also intervening claims 11 and 13-22 have been cancelled.

With the amendment of claim 22 to independent form, and cancellation of the several claims above mentioned, it is believed the Application is now in order for allowance, and no discussion of the art rejection is necessary.

Having dealt with all the objections raised by the Examiner, the Application is believed to be in order for allowance. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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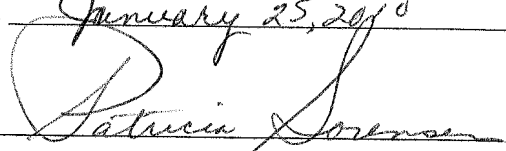
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